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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between plaintiff United States of America and claimants Christopher Napoli, Christine Napoli, Pharmacy USA LLC and PSA LLC, through undersigned counsel, that this action be stayed pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 881(j). The parties contend that a stay of this action is warranted under § 881(j) because the government is presently conducting an criminal investigation concerning claimant Christopher Napoli and others in regards to the distribution of controlled substances via the internet. Some of the other targets of the investigation have been indicted in this district in a case captioned *United States v. Andrew* Russo, et al, CR 06-00748 RMW. The investigation is continuing with respect to Christopher Napoli. Since the criminal activity at issue in the investigation and related criminal indictment forms, in large part, the basis for the forfeiture allegations in the government's complaint for forfeiture in this action, the parties agree that a stay in the forfeiture proceeding is appropriate at this time in order to preserve the confidentiality of the government's criminal investigation and Christopher Napoli's right against self-incrimination in the related criminal matter. The parties thus request that matter be stayed pending resolution of the criminal investigation concerning Mr. Napoli and that any pending deadlines or assigned dates also be stayed and vacated.

The parties have further agreed that during the period of the Stay, claimants may pursue discovery from DJ Johnson and NTS Services Corp., 205 Enterprise Drive, Pekin, IL 61554, and any related person or entity, consistent with what is required under the applicable Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Further discovery may be undertaken on different subjects or of unrelated persons or entities during the period of the stay by agreement of the parties or upon Motion and further Order.

Upon the resolution of the criminal investigation, the parties will notify the Court so that the forfeiture matter may be set for further status. Alternatively, should the Court wish to set the

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